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- 1) Response to Second Order to Show Cause
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RESPONSE TO SECOND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

On November 13, 2006, the PTO mailed a Second Order to Show Cause in connection with this reissue application providing a period of six (6) months to show cause why the Office should not terminate the reissue proceedings. The PTO advised that the showing must include either a copy of favorable determination of Applicants' June 6, 2006, Petition to Accept Late Payment of the First and Second Maintenance Fees in U.S. Patent No. 5,672,697 (hereinafter the "697 patent") or an explanation of why the proceedings should not be terminated.

On May 8, 2007, Applicants received a decision by the PTO dismissing their petition to accept delayed payment of the maintenance fee for the 697 patent. The decision gives Applicants a non-extendable two month period in which to petition for reconsideration.

Because Applicants received the decision on their petition only a few days before the six-month period set by the Second Order to Show Cause, and because the petition for reconsideration will require considerable gathering of facts and information, Applicants respectfully request that the proceedings in the present reissue application not be terminated on

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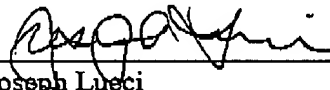
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May 13, 2007, and that the time period for responding to the Second Order to Show Cause be extended to allow for the petition for reconsideration to be filed and considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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